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**From:** David Nicholas [dnicholas@earthsciencelabs.com]  
**Sent:** 3/25/2019 3:23:01 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Earth Science Laboratories PMN, P-18-0073  
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Mr. Schweer:

I know you must be as tired of seeing these emails from me as I am writing them. As all know, this is extremely important to our company. We have delayed starting up a new manufacturing plant and delayed market introduction that is having economic impact to our company.

Is there any way you can, at least, give me an idea as to the current timetable? I understand you have limited resources and the government shutdown did nothing but increase your workload but this has reached an acute stage for our company.

Help,

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**From:** Schweer, Greg <Schweer.Greg@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 15, 2019 8:40 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: Earth Science Laboratories PMN, P-18-0073

David,

I apologize for the delay. Unfortunately, the Program Manager for your case, Jeff Bauer, is on sick leave today. So, I cannot check with him on the status of the case directly but will do so early next week. I just checked the New Chemical Review (NCR) system and see that both the Focus Health Assessment report and the Eco Hazard and Risk narrative have now been completed by the Risk Assessment Division. If I need to reassign this case to a Program Manager who has a bit more time than Jeff has at the moment, I will do so next week.

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**From:** David Nicholas <dnicholas@earthsciencelabs.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:48 AM

**To:** Schweer, Greg <[Schweer.Greg@epa.gov](mailto:Schweer.Greg@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Earth Science Laboratories PMN, P-18-0073  
**Importance:** High

Mr. Schweer,

I am writing to ask the status of our PMN. When we met on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, I left the meeting with the understanding that the issuance of the PMN was imminent. I think we discussed that it would be end of the year or just after the first of the year given vacation schedules.

I understand the government shutdown eliminated many of the agency's workdays during that period. However, if we subtract those days from the equation, we would effectively be in early February by now.

If you remember, we had encountered significant delays on this PMN last year and this is extremely important to our company. Further, we remain as patient as possible but will ask you personally to follow up and let me know the status.

Thank you in advance,

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